

VISTA GRANDE HIGH SCHOOL PROFILE

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Vision: All living the pursuit of excellence for lifetime achievement.

Mission: to inspire excellence by providing globally competitive educational opportunities for all students.



Student success is our business.

Counseling Department

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District Registrar

Francis Pitman

Community

Casa Grande is a dynamic, involved community, a modern city with rural heritage and old-fashioned values. Its economic base is a mix of retail trade, factory outlet shopping, manufacturing and agriculture. Founded in 1879, Casa Grande was named for the famous Hohokam Indian Ruins 20 miles to the northeast. Midway between Phoenix and Tucson, the city has grown to be the largest community in western Pinal County since its incorporation in 1915.

District

Casa Grande Union High School District serves the rapidly growing educational communities of Casa Grande, Arizona City, Toltec, Stanfield, and Sacaton. The District was organized in 1919 and presently encompasses 1280 square miles. The current population for the District is estimated at 100,000.

School

Vista Grande is a four year co-educational public high school with an enrollment of 1800 students. The mascot is the Spartan and the school colors are black and Vegas gold. VGHS competes at the Division 4 level. Sports offered at VGHS are football, volleyball, cross country, golf, basketball, wrestling, soccer, softball, baseball, track, tennis and cheerleading. Vista Grande reflects the ethnic makeup of 54% Hispanic, 35% Caucasian, 6% American Indian, 4% African American, and 1% Asian.

Curriculum

Departments and Programs of Instruction include: Art, Culinary Arts, Dance, Drama, Early Childhood Education, Marketing, English, Exceptional Student Services, Instrumental Music, Marine JROTC, Math, Physical Education, Reading, Science, Social Studies, Technical Theatre, Vocal Music, World Languages.

Statement of Non Discrimination

Casa Grande Union High School District does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability in admission to its programs, services, or activities, in access to them, in treatment of individuals, or in any aspect of their operations. The Casa Grande Union High School District also does not discriminate in its hiring or employment practices.

This notice is provided as required by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. To view the Statement of Non Discrimination in its entirety, visit www.cguhsd.org. Questions, complaints, or requests for additional information regarding these laws may be forwarded to the designated compliance coordinator(s), Steve Sipes, CTE Coordinator, 1362 N. Casa Grande Avenue, (520)316-3360 ext 1121.

All materials can be translated upon request by contacting Mary Ann Amerson, Human Resources Director at 520 316-3360 ext 1104 or mamerson@cguhsd.org.

Enrollment Notes

All science classes have a laboratory component.

Honors, Pre AP and AP courses have open enrollment.

Advanced Placement courses follow the prescribed AP curriculum, assessment, and instruction.

Top 3% of students serviced in our GATE (Gifted and Talented Education) program.

Valedictorian— Student with the highest rank in graduating class based on weighted GPA.

Salutatorian— Student with the second highest rank in graduating class based on weighted GPA.

University Admission Recommendation

For admission to an in-state university, a student should maintain the recommended grade point average of 3.0 or above, ACT of 22 or above or 1040 on the SAT (math, reading). The students should complete all academic graduation requirements and include a full year of a Fine Art/ CTE and two full years of the same World Language.

Rigorous Courses*

- Honors English 9, 10
- AP Language & Composition
- AP Literature & Composition
- English 101/102 College Composition
- Honors Geometry
- Honors Algebra I, II
- Honors Algebra III/Trigonometry
- AP Statistics
- AP Calculus A B
- AP Calculus BC
- Honors Biology
- Honors Chemistry
- AP Environmental Science
- AP Physics
- AP World History
- AP US History
- AP US Government
- AP Psychology
- AP Spanish Language
- AP Spanish Literature

*Grades are based on a 5.0 grade scale.

Student Profile

In May of 2019, 375+ AP tests were administered in grades 9-12.

Since opening, two students have named National Merit Scholarship Semi-Finalists and one was a Flinn Scholar.

Vista Grande's graduation rate in 2019 was 93%.

Graduation Requirements

English	4
Math	4
Science	3
Social Studies	3
PE	0.5
Freshman Success	1
Geography	0.5
Fine Arts/CTE	1
Electives	5

Grading Policy

Grades are based on the following percentages:

90%-100%	A
80%-89%	B
70%-79%	C
60%-69%	D
59% and Below	F

Students receiving excessive absences in any course will receive an NC for No Credit

Grade Point Average Calculation

AP/Honors	Regular
A = 5.0	A = 4.0
B = 4.0	B = 3.0
C = 3.0	C = 2.0
F = 0.0	F = 0.0

The grade of incomplete may be given at the end of any marking period to students who have not submitted all required work. Such a grade will become an "F" at the end of two weeks.